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CLAIMS

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- 1. An improved method of treating inflammatory or obstructive airways disease in a human subject in need thereof, which method comprises administering to said subject a selective  $\beta_2$  sympathomimetic bronchodilator drug predominantly in the form of its BRONCHODILATOR ENANTIOMER.
- 2. A method according to claim 1 of treating inflammatory or obstructive airways disease with the avoidance, amelioration or restriction of occurrence of side effect deleterious to the airways.
- 3. A method according to claim 1 of treating inflammatory or obstructive airways disease with the avoidance, amelioration or restriction of exacerbation of basal disease status or compromise or deterioration of lung function.
- 4. A method according to claim 1 which additionally comprises administration of an anti-asthmatically effective amount of ketotifen.
- 5. A method according to claim 1 which comprises administering a selective  $\beta_2$  sympathomimetic drug in pure or substantially pure form.
- 6. A method according to claim 1 wherein said selective β<sub>2</sub> sympathomimatic bronchodilator drug is selected from the group consisting of terbutaline, albuterol, fenoterol, hexoprenaline, rimiterol, isoetharine, orciprenaline, reproterol, clenbuterol, procaterol, carbuterol, tolobuterol, pirbuterol, bitolterol, formoterol, bambuterol and salmeterol.
- 7. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a selective  $\beta_2$  sympathomimatic bronchodilator drug predominantly in the

form of its BRONCHODILATOR ENANTIOMER together with a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent or carrier therefor.

- 8. A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 7 comprising BRONCHODILATOR ENANTIOMER of a selective  $\beta_2$  sympathomimatic bronchodilator drug in pure or substantially pure form.
- 9. A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 7 wherein said selective β<sub>2</sub> sympathomimatic bronchodilator drug is selected from the group consisting of terbutaline, albuterol, fenoterol, hexoprenaline, rimiterol, isoetharine, orciprenaline, reproterol, clenbuterol, procaterol, carbuterol, tolobuterol, pirbuterol, bitolterol, formoterol, bambuterol and salmeterol.
- 10. A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 7 in a form permitting, enabling or adapted for administration via the pulmonary route.